IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

EASTERN DIVISION

FILED IN OPEN COURT

ON 12/11/2013/10

CASE NO. 4:13-MJ-1074		Julie A. Richards, Clerk US District Court Eastern District of NC
NITED STATES OF AMERICA))	OVERNMENT'S MOTION

UN TO CONTINUE v. JOSEPH C. COUCH

Pursuant to 18 USC §3161(h)(3)(B) and to Local Rule 47.1, the GOVERNMENT respectfully request that the above-captioned case be continued to the 12 February misdemeanor docket. In support of this motion, the GOVERNMENT sets forth the following.

- 1. The defendant was absent due to: The government is exploring a pre-trial diversion with Mr. Couch.
- 2. This is the second continuance filed by the Government in this matter.

This the 11th day of December, 2013.

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The Court finds that the ends of justice are served by the granting of such a continuance

Accordingly, the continuance is ALLOWED. The intervening time from 12 ... 20.3 to 2/12/3:14 is excluded from speedy trial computation under 18 USC 3161.

outweigh the best interest of the public in a speedy trial because the defendant is absent.

This the 11 day of <u>Deamber</u>, 2013.

List John United States Magistrate Judge